#### VMEP services include:

- Teaching and Learning
   Materials at your farm or
   through your local school
   representative
- Language and Communication for dairy-specific vocabulary
- Basic Life skills
- Summer opportunities for your employees children



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# Working Together for a Bright Future

VMEP provides free educational services to individuals and families moving regularly for agricultural work.

Our partnerships with local farmers and public schools help to ensure these diverse services reach everyone affected by the conditions of temporary or seasonal agricultural employment.

Please contact us for more information.

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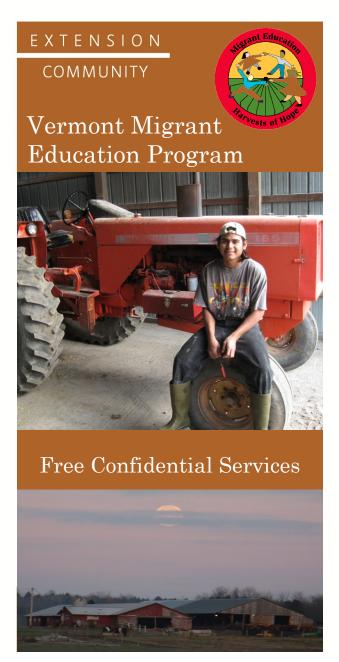


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### The Vermont Migrant Education Program

Since the 1960's, the Migrant Education Program has worked with families and individuals across the US who move for agricultural jobs. In Vermont, we understand that agricultural work is ceaseless and demanding, but a critical part of our economy and our future.

The Vermont Migrant Education Program (VMEP) strives to alleviate some of the stresses families working in this valuable industry may face.

#### Who is Eligible?

- **Families** with school aged children who have moved for agricultural work in the last 36 months
- Individuals who have moved for agricultural work in the last 36 months, who have not graduated high school and who are under 22 years of age

#### How We Operate

- Supporting in-school learning with additional learning material and tutoring
- Confidential, reliable & quality educational services
- **Referrals** to other public services such as healthcare
- Bringing school to the farm during off-time with a weekly instructor, for individuals not currently enrolled in school
- Cultivating relationships with farmers, schools and community service organizations

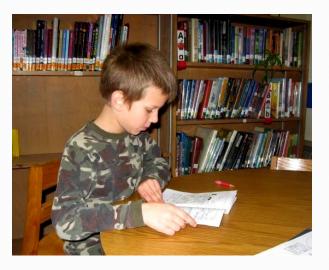


## Benefits for Farm Workers & Families

- **Supportive services** towards earning a high school diploma
- **English classes** for English language learners
- Activities for **preschool children**
- Counseling and referrals to other public service organizations

#### Benefits to Farm Employers

- Stability and longevity of workforce, reduction in employee turnover
- Greater cooperation & enhanced communication between farmers and their employees.
- Interpretation services upon request



"You know what I like about the program? I like how it enhances the conversation between groups of people.

- Central VT Farmer

"I can sleep better knowing that people's needs are being addressed."

- Southern VT Farmer

"The Migrant Education teacher made sure my daughter would go to camp. It was a great step for us."

-Mother of an MEP student in the Northeast Kingdom

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